

Committee Meetings

SPARE AND REPAIR PARTS SHORTAGES

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Military Readiness held a hearing on spare and repair parts shortages. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: William J. Lynn, III, Under Secretary (Comptroller and Chief Financial Officer); Gen. John G. Coburn, USA, Commander, Army Materiel Command; Gen. George T. Babbitt, USAF, Commander, Air Force Materiel Command; Rear Adm. Daniel H. Stone, USN, Commander Defense Logistics Support Command, Defense Logistics Agency; Vice Adm. James Amerault, USN, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations (Logistics); and Maj. Gen. Gary S. McKissock, USMC, Deputy Chief of Staff (Installations and Logistics), Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps.

ELECTROMAGNETIC PULSE THREATS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Research and Development held a hearing on electromagnetic pulse (EMP) threats to U.S. military and civilian infrastructure. Testimony was heard from Stanley J. Jakubiak, Deputy Chief, Command Center's Division, Joint Chiefs of Staff, Department of Defense; Michael Bernardin, Provost for Theoretical Institute of Thermonuclear Studies, Los Alamos National Laboratory; Lowell Wood, member, Director's Technical Staff, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory and Hoover Institution; and a public witness.

PUHCA REPEAL

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Finance and Hazardous Materials held a hearing on PUHCA Repeal: Is The Time Now? Testimony was heard from Isaac C. Hunt, Commissioner, SEC; Douglas W. Smith, General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

STUDENTS RESULTS ACT

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Continued markup of H.R. 2, Students Results Act.

Will continue October 13.

MINIMUM WAGE IMPACT ON WELFARE TO WORK

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Held a hearing on Examining the Impact of Minimum Wage on Welfare to Work. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

U.S. POLICY TOWARD RUSSIA

Committee on International Relations: Continued hearings on U.S. Policy Toward Russia, Part II: Corruption

in the Russian Government. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 3028, Trademark Cyberpiracy Prevention Act; and H.R. 1714, amended, Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 1887, amended, to amend title 18, United States Code, to punish the depiction of animal cruelty; and H.R. 1869, Stalking Prevention and Victim Protection Act of 1999.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources, Subcommittee on Water and Power held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2994, Sugar Pine Dam and Reservoir Conveyance Act; H.R. 1696, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Griffith Project to the Southern Nevada Water Authority; H.R. 2674, providing for conveyance of the Palmetto Bend project to the State of Texas; H.R. 2984, Middle Loup Conveyance Act; H.R. 2974, Lower Yellowstone Irrigation Project Facilities Conveyance Act of 1999; H.R. 2889, to amend the Central Utah Project Completion Act to provide for acquisition of water and water rights for Central Utah Project purposes, completion of Central Utah project facilities, and implementation of water conservation measures; and H.R. 1235, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to enter into contracts with the Solano County Water Agency, California, to use Solano Project facilities for impounding, storage, and carriage of nonproject water for domestic, municipal, industrial, and other beneficial purposes. Testimony was heard from Eluid Martinez, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

CRUISE SHIP SAFETY

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held a hearing on Cruise Ship Safety. Testimony was heard from Rear Adm. Robert C. North, USCG, Assistant Commandant for Marine Safety, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation; James E. Hall, Chairman, National Transportation Safety Board; and public witnesses.

**TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS—
EFFECT ON MOTOR CARRIER SAFETY
ENFORCEMENT**

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Ground Transportation held a hearing on the Effect of the Fiscal Year 2000 Department of Transportation Appropriations Act on Motor Carrier Safety Enforcement. Testimony was heard from Nancy E. McFadden, General Counsel, Department of Transportation.

**GSA'S FEDERAL BUILDING SECURITY
PROGRAM**

Committee on Transportation: Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Emergency Management held a hearing on GSA's Federal Building Security Program. Testimony was heard from Bernard L. Ungar, Director, Government Business Operations Issues, GAO; and the following officials of the GSA: Eugene L. Waszily, Assistant Inspector General, Auditing; and Robert Peck, Commissioner, Public Buildings Service.

The Subcommittee also met in executive session to continue hearings on this subject. Testimony was heard from Robert H. Hast, Acting Assistant Comptroller General, Office of Special Investigations, GAO; and the following officials of the GSA: Eugene L. Waszily, Assistant Inspector General, Auditing; Robert Peck, Commissioner, Public Buildings Service; Robin Graf, Assistant Regional Administrator, Region 10, Auburn, Washington; and Anthony Costa, Assistant Regional Administrator, National Capital Region.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D1085)

H.R. 2981, to extend energy conservation programs under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act through March 31, 2000. Signed October 5, 1999. (P.L. 106-64)

S. 1059, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2000 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces. Signed October 5, 1999. (P.L. 106-65)

S. 293, to direct the Secretaries of Agriculture and Interior to convey certain lands in San Juan County, New Mexico, to San Juan College. Signed October 6, 1999. (P.L. 106-66)

S. 944, to amend Public Law 105-188 to provide for the mineral leasing of certain Indian lands in Oklahoma. Signed October 6, 1999. (P.L. 106-67)

S. 1072, to make certain technical and other corrections relating to the Centennial of Flight Commemoration Act. Signed October 6, 1999. (P.L. 106-68)

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY,
OCTOBER 8, 1999**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings are scheduled.

House

No committee meetings are scheduled.